



# Public Tour Reopens at United States Mint at Philadelphia

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PHILADELPHIA — The United States Mint at Philadelphia re-opens its doors for public tours on July 3, 2012, at 1 p.m. The facility has undergone a major set of renovations with new displays, exhibits and artifacts on display.

“We are very proud to once again welcome the public into our Philadelphia facility home to see how coins and medals are made,” said Dick Peterson, Deputy Director, United States Mint. “This project is one that showcases our production processes and gives the public a more modern, interactive experience. Our new tour route and exhibits also proudly tell the American public about the role the United States Mint plays in the financial fabric of our nation,” said Peterson. “The new displays include numerous artifacts; tell the story about the history and current structure of the United States Mint; and explain the evolution of coin minting processes and operations.”

In August 2010, the United States Mint embarked on a major endeavor to completely renovate the public tour experience at the Philadelphia facility. Approximately 250,000 people visit the United States Mint at Philadelphia each year. The last time the public tour exhibits were upgraded was more than 40 years ago.

The United States Mint was created by Congress in 1792. This year marks the bureau’s 220th anniversary. The United States Mint is the Nation’s sole manufacturer of legal tender coinage and is responsible for producing circulating coinage for the Nation to conduct its trade and commerce. The United States Mint also produces proof, uncirculated and commemorative coins; Congressional Gold Medals; and silver, gold and platinum bullion coins.

## Tour Information:

- All tours are self-guided; no reservations are necessary.
- Tour Hours.
  - Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
  - Summer Tour Hours (June – August): Monday through Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Open Memorial Day, July 4th and Labor Day. Please call (215) 408-0112 for additional summer tour hours.
- Adults, 18 years and older, need government issued photo IDs to enter. Please visit <http://www.usmint.gov> for further security information.
- All visitors are required to enter through a metal detector. For more information, please call (215) 408-0112.
- Photography is prohibited.
- The United States Mint at Philadelphia is located at 5th and Arch Streets, Philadelphia, PA 19106-1886.

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